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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF PLUMBING & HVACR EXAMINERS
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 8:30 a.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A , second floor of the Cannon
MINUTES APPROVED:	April 9, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dean Sherman, Professional Member, President
Charles Robbins, Professional Member, Vice President
Carol Guilbert, Public Member, Secretary
Frank Beebe, Professional Member
James Anderson, Public Member
Gerard Pepeta, Professional Member
John Brady, Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jerome Todd, Professional Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Bryan Smith, Deputy Attorney General
Latonya Brown, Administrative Specialist II

OTHERS PRESENT

James Palmelia, NCC

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Sherman called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Beebe, seconded by Ms. Guilbert, to approve the February 12, 2013 meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Proposal to Deny

A motion was made by Mr. Brady, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to approve Frederick Scott to take the Master HVACR Exam. The motion was carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Examination Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Sherman, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to deny the Master HVACR application of Frank Bacchetta for not providing proof of seven years of experience under the supervision of a licensed Master HVACR. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Sherman, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to approve Robert Hall and Shawn Sudler to take the Master Plumber examination. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Sherman, seconded by Mr. Anderson to approve Brian Marcocci and Dwayne Burns to take the Master Plumber By-pass Exam. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Sherman, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to approve Kevin Fitzgerald, Jeremy Morris and Michael Macey to take the Master HVACR Restricted Exam. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Sherman, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to table the Master HVACR Restricted examination application of Ronald Riale Jr. because he did not supply a copy of his CFC card. The motion carried unanimously.

Ratification of Applications

A motion was made by Ms. Guilbert, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to ratify the Master HVACR Restricted applications of Michael Polito and David Newcomb. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Guilbert, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to ratify the Master HVACR application of Donald MacDonald. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Guilbert, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to ratify the Master Plumber application of Nicholas Grant and Troy Marcum. The motion carried unanimously.

Examination Passing Results

The Board reviewed the examination results that showed out of ten candidates, five had passing scores: Joseph Yost III and Gregg Uhde (additional specialties) Master HVACR Restricted, and Steven Dennis, Carl Rifino, and Robert Wagner, Master Plumbers.

Review of Reciprocity Applications

A motion was made by Ms. Guilbert, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to approve the application of Harry Morrison, Jr. to sit for the Master Plumber By-pass exam. Mr. Morrison was not approved to apply by reciprocity due to his lack of apprenticeship. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Guilbert, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to approve the application of Ronald Evans, Master Plumber. The motion carried unanimously.

Complaint Status

34-01-12	Referred to AG's Office	34-06-12	Open
34-03-12	Open	34-07-12	Open
34-04-12	Referred to AG's Office	34-09-12	Open

34-10-12 Open
34-11-12 Open
34-12-12 Open
34-13-12 Open
34-14-12 Open

34-15-12 Open
34-01-13 Open
34-02-13 Open

CORRESPONDENCE

None

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (for discussion only)

Updates on Backflow & Continuing Education

Mr. Robbins stated that at the last committee meeting on backflow the Committee agreed that only ASSE certified people are allowed to test and repair devices. The Committee decided that other nationally recognized organizations such as TREEO or University of California can submit requests for approval if they so choose. Their standards are very similar to ASSE. New England Water Works was questionable when it came to how often their instructors have to be recertified and if their instructors are strictly employed by New England Water Works. Because of these factors, the Board will not recognize New England Water Works at this time. Mr. Robbins also stated that there will be no issues with reciprocity between Delaware and Maryland as long as the applicant shows proof of completion of a backflow course. The Board is still discussing how many continuing education hours should be completed. They have reached out to PHCC and Mr. Robbins has received some correspondences. Right now PHCC is working on a continuing education program and working with other chapters throughout the state. The Board recommends having PHCC come up with a curriculum for the Board to review for approval. Mr. Sherman and Mr. Robbins both agreed that the next committee meeting should be focused more on continuing education. Backflow no longer needs to be discussed and it can be taken off the upcoming agenda. The next committee meeting will be on March 26, 2013 at 9:00 am in Conference Room A. John Brady stated that he may not be able to attend due to a prior engagement.

DAG Smith made an announcement that effective March 28, 2013 he will no longer be working with the Department of Justice. He accepted a position at a private firm. He stated that the new DAG may attend the next committee meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next board meeting will be held on April 9, 2013, at 8:30 a.m. in Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Beebe, seconded Ms. Guilbert, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:27am.

Respectfully submitted,

LaTonya Brown